

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Croatia
Program Title:	Cross-Cutting Programs
Pillar:	No pillar info
Strategic Objective:	160-0420
Status:	Continuing
Planned FY 2005 Obligation:	\$1,830,000 AEEB
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$1,396,000 AEEB
Proposed FY 2006 Obligation:	\$1,806,000 AEEB
Year of Initial Obligation:	
Estimated Year of Final Obligation:	2007

Summary: USAID's Cross-Cutting Strategic Objective (SO) funds training and program support activities across all USAID Croatia's strategic objectives. Issues and areas of focus include: developing free market economies; democracy and awareness of citizen's rights and responsibilities; strengthening local government; and support for programs and institutions that will sustain the investments of U.S. assistance.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Participant training and program support across multiple Strategic Objectives (\$1,830,000 AEEB, \$1,158,000 AEEB carryover, \$238,000 AEEB prior year recoveries). USAID resources will support cross-cutting training activities and program support that affect multiple strategic objectives. Training is a common activity across SOs and will continue throughout the strategic planning and graduation period. The participant training budget will be managed as a cross-cutting activity to permit training support to cross-cutting activities and to those that support overall program goals. Program support costs will cover costs that affect multiple SOs as well as impending evaluations and technical assistance for strategic planning exercises. As USAID begins the second phase of its Graduation Plan, program support funds will be used to provide assistance to those legacy institutions that will be responsible for carrying on reform efforts once Croatia has graduated from SEED assistance. Grantee: World Learning (prime).

FY 2006 Program: USAID plans to continue to fund participant training programs that support overall program goals. Program support costs will cover costs that affect multiple strategic objectives as well as impending evaluations and technical assistance for strategic planning exercises and support to Croatia's legacy institutions that will carry on reform efforts once Croatia has graduated from SEED assistance (\$1,806,000 AEEB). Grantee: World Learning (prime).

Performance and Results: In FY 2004, USAID training programs included 55 training activities in 25 countries. A total of 933 Croatians participated in the training. For example, one program included a co-funded study trip for six Croatian judges to Nashville, Tennessee's Bankruptcy Court, with cooperation and financial support from the U.S. National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges. As a result of this training, Croatian commercial, municipal, and county court judges observed efficient and effective U.S. case and bankruptcy management practices that will serve to facilitate Croatia's own transition to automated systems and effective court management. To address the backlog of cases in the Croatian courts, USAID's Commercial Law Reform Project introduced Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) legal processes to quickly resolve disputes, and ease the burden on the overwhelming court system. As a direct result of a training mediation program, one participant was instrumental in establishing a Center for Mediation was established within the 100,000 member strong Croatian Chamber of Trades and Crafts. The Center will focus on resolving cases between Small and Medium Enterprises and their customers. Training related technical assistance in Market Risk Assessment provided to the Croatian National Bank (CNB) resulted in the expansion of the CNB's market risk team to nine members. Given the importance risk management represents in banking supervision, the CNB formed a separate unit within the department for on-site supervision to specifically address market risk. Under the democracy and governance participant training program, a cross sector partnership was formed between a representative

of Croatia's leading bank, and a non-governmental organization (NGO) providing guide dogs for the blind that led to a fund raising concert that raised approximately \$60,000 for the NGO. A group of 11 members of Parliament and parliamentary committee members attended a training program in Washington State to learn about the role of legislative committees, and in particular, the incorporation of citizens' views in the policy development process. As an outcome of the program, public hearings are now being introduced in the Croatian Parliamentary system.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Croatia

160-0420 Cross-Cutting Programs	AEEB
Through September 30, 2003	
Obligations	14,799
Expenditures	14,098
Unliquidated	701
Fiscal Year 2004	
Obligations	686
Expenditures	535
Through September 30, 2004	
Obligations	15,485
Expenditures	14,633
Unliquidated	852
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	1,396
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	
Obligations	1,830
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005	
Obligations	3,226
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA	
Obligations	1,806

Future Obligations	3,814
Est. Total Cost	24,331